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RE: Application Serial No.: 10/699,676

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For: SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE AND
MANUFACTURING METHOD THEREOF

Group Art Unit: 2811

Examiner: NGUYEN, C.

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Respectfully submitted,

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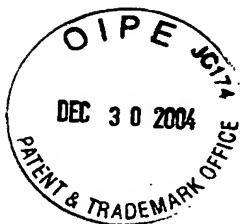
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In response to the election requirement dated December 3, 2004, Applicants elect Embodiment I, identified in the outstanding Official Action as corresponding to Figures 1 to 15 for further examination on the merits. Applicants identify Claims 1-3 as readable on the elected species. Applicants reserve the right to file one or more divisional applications directed to the non-elected species.

Accordingly, examination on the merits of Claims 1-3 is believed to be in order and an early and favorable action is respectfully requested.

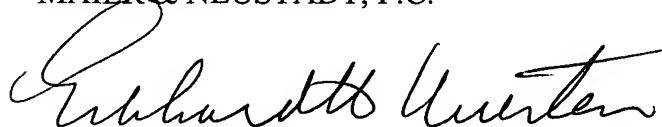
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